Shabbat Tzav / Shabbat HaGadol 14 Nisan 5785 / 11-12 April 2025

Erev Shabbat

18:30 Erev Shabbat Service (in the Beit Tefillah)

Led by Rabbi Hannah and Rabbi Elliott.

Shabbat Morning

10:30 Kollot Service (in the Beit Tefillah)

Our informal, unaccompanied, participatory minyan.

Led by Rabbi Hannah and Justin Wise.

The Torah will be read by Jeremy Baum and David Baker.

The Dvar Torah will be given by Simone Aspis.

There will be an unsupervised kids corner.

Pesach at Alyth

Erev Pesach Service - Saturday 12 April (17:00)

An early start Erev Pesach service with Rabbi Nicola.

Pesach Morning Service - Sunday 13 April (10:30)

Led by Rabbi Colin and Rabbi Nicola with the Alyth choir. The sermon will be given by Rabbi Colin. There will be a supervised kid's corner.

Pesach Morning Sensory Service - Sunday 13 April (11:00)

Our Shabbat service designed to stimulate your babies' senses in the first years of their life. Join the team and the dungareenees in this service where you and your baby can touch, see, smell and hear your way through the service. Led by Rabbi Hannah and Abi.

Communal Seder - Sunday 13 April (18:30)

Come together with your Alyth family to read the Haggadah and enjoy a three-course meal. Led and hosted by Rabbi Elliott and Lynette. FULLY BOOKED

Erev Seventh Day Study - Friday 18 April (17:15)

Sages or Politicians? Finding Politics in Pirkei Avot - It is traditional to study Pirkei Avot (The Sayings of the Sages) during the Omer (the period between Pesach and Shavuot). Join Rabbi Elliott to have a look at some of the teachings from Pirkei Avot that suggest our ancient Rabbis were full of political as well as religious wisdom. What can this text teach us about how to engage with the world of politics? Followed by the Erev Shabbat/Pessach Service.

Seventh Day Pesach and Shabbat Service - Saturday 19 April (10:30)

Led by Rabbi Elliott with the Alyth Choir with unsupervised kid's corner.

Seventh Day Pesach and Shabbat Gesher Service - Saturday 19 April (11:00)

Led by Rabbi Hannah and the Gesher guitarists, Ben Levett and Louis Graham.

We Are Hiring - Youth & Education Hub Team Member

We are currently looking for an inspiring, motivated Jewish educator to be a part of the team. If you are interested in being at the heart of our exciting and innovative community, share the values of Reform Judaism in the UK and are looking for full or part time work, please think about joining our team. For full details and an application pack, apply to our Head of Member Engagement, Sam Heller at sam@alyth.org.uk or on 020 8457 8796. Closing date for applications is Thursday 17 April 2025.

Shabbat Services at Alyth

Throughout Jewish history, Shabbat has been at the heart of Jewish life, a distinctive and special time, different from the working week. At Alyth, we strive to uphold this holiness of Shabbat, with learning and multiple services to meet the needs of the community. Please help us to ensure that everyone can pray and participate by thinking about the needs of those around you. If you need to leave the service to avoid disturbing others, please note that the service can be watched on livestream, this week in the kindergarten.

To help us to separate Shabbat from the rest of the week, please switch off your mobile phone, and do not take photographs or video, or smoke/vape on the premises on Shabbat. When we want to show appreciation during a service, it is traditional not to applaud but to shout 'yasher koach' or 'sh'koach', which means 'strength to you.' Please refrain from applauding but join in this greeting.

In case of an emergency, evacuation of the building is either through the main entrance doors, congregating on Temple Grove, or via the kindergarten into the cemetery. Please do not gather on Alyth Gardens as this may block emergency services access.

We will make Kiddush together over wine and challah on Friday nights & Shabbat mornings to end our services. We ask that you please not drink or eat until we have said the blessings. On Shabbat, as through the week, we rely on the contribution of many of our members. Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this Shabbat special. *Shabbat Shalom*.

Additional Songs and Readings for Shabbat

Yism'chu Ha-shamavim

Words: Psalm 96:11

יִשְּמְחוּ הַשַּׁמֵיֶם וְתַגֵל הַאַרֵץ יִרְעַם הַיַּם וּמְלֹאוֹ:

Yism'chu ha-shamayim v'tageil ha-arets, yir'am ha-yam um'lo'o.

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth delight, let the sea thunder in its fullness.

Rom'mu

Words: Psalm 99:9

Music : Daphna Rosenberg

רוֹמִמוּ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְהִשְּׁתַחֵווּ לְהַר קָדְשׁוֹ כִּי־קָדוֹשׁ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ:

Rom'mu Adonai eloheinu, v'hishtachavu l'har kodsho, ki kadosh Adonai eloheinu Exalt the Eternal our God, bow down before God's holy mountain, for holy is the Eternal our God.

Bo'i khallah

Music: Lior Ben Hur & Sol Tevel

בּוֹאִי כַלָּה פְּנֵי שַׁבָּת נְקַבְּלָה, לְכָה דוֹדִי לְקְרֵאת כַּלָּה, לְכָה דוֹדִי פְּנֵי שַׁבָּת נְקַבְּלָה Bo'i khallah, bo'i khallah, p'nei Shabbat n'kab'lah, bo'i khallah, bo'i khallah

L'chah dodi, l'chah dodi likrat kalla, p'nei Shabbat n'kab'lah

Come, my bride, to welcome in the Shabbat eve.

Come, my friend, to greet the bride, to welcome in the Shabbat eve.

Hashkiveinu

Music: Dan Nichols

הַשְּׁכִּיבֵנוּ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְשֵׁלוֹם וְהַעֵּמִידֵנוּ מַלְכֵנוּ לְחַיִּים

Hashkiveinu Adonai eloheinu l'shalom, v'ha'amideinu malkeinu l'chayyim Spread the shelter of Your peace over us; Guide us in wisdom, compassion and trust Save us for the sake of Your name; Shield us from hatred, sorrow and pain

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה. הַפּוֹרֵשׁ סֻכַּת שֶׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־עַמוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל־כָּל־הָעוֹלָם:

Baruch attah Adonai, ha-poreis sukkat shalom aleinu v'al ammo yisra'el, v'al kol ha-olam

Blessed are You God, spreading the shelter of peace over us, over Your people Israel, and over all the world.

Nachman of Bratslav's Prayer for Peace

May it be Your will, Eternal God, that war and bloodshed be abolished from the world, that a great and wondrous peace rule forever; that never again shall nation lift up sword against nation, and never again shall they train for war. But may all who dwell on the earth recognize and understand the basic truth: that we have not come into this world for strife and division, nor for hate and jealousy, contrariness and bloodshed; but we have come into this world to recognize and know You, may You be blessed forever.

A Prayer for the Release of Captives

Words: based on the words of Kol Haneshamah Reform Congregation, Jerusalem

God of Abraham, the first who risked his life for the release of captives. God of Moses, Miriam and Aaron, whose words and actions brought us out of slavery. God of Elijah, who was comforted through his deep despair, by Your still small voice. Be with those everywhere who are enslaved and captive. We wait and pray in hope that they will be returned to their loved ones. In this time of uncertainty, grant strength and resilience to them and their families. Give wisdom, courage and conviction to all those working to bring them home. Help us to understand what we too can do to support those in distress.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם מַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים:

Baruch attah Adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam matir asurim. Blessed are You our Living God, who frees captives.

Ivdu

Words: Psalm 100:2 and 95:3

Music: Or Zohar

עַבְדוּ אֶת־יְהֹוָה בְּשִּׂמְחָה בֹאוּ לְפָנָיו בִּרְנָנָה - כִּיַ אֵל מֶלֶךְ נָּדוֹל יְהֹוָה

 Part 1:
 Part 2:

 Ivdu
 (Ivdu...u..u)

et Adonai b'simcha (simcha, simcha, simcha...)
Bo'u (Bo'u, bo'u bo'u...u)
l'fanav birna'na...ah (na, na, na, na, na....)

Ki El melech gadol Adonai (x4)

Serve God in gladness; Come into God's Presence with joy. For God is a great Sovereign.

Ozi v'zimrat yah

Words: Exodus 15:2 / Psalm 118:14

עזי וזמרת יה ויהי לי לישועה

Ozi v'zimrat yah vay'hi li lishu'ah

God the Eternal is my strength and song and has become my salvation!

Torah Portions for Shabbat Tzav

Leviticus 6:1-23

" וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוֹהָ אֶל־מֹשֶׁה לֵאמֹר: בּ צֵּי אֶת־אַהַרֹן וְאֶת־בָּנֵיו לֵאמֹר זֹאָת תּוֹרַת הָעֹלָה הַוֹא הַעֹלָה הַוֹא עַל־הַמִּיןבָּת יְלְבָשׁ הַמִּיְבָּת וְאָשׁ הַמִּיְבָּת תְּיִקְר עַל־בְּשִׁי לְּבִּיּשׁר וְאֵשׁ הַמִּיְבָּת תִּיּקְבָּת עַל־בְּשָׁי וְנְבָשׁ הַבְּיָּלְה וְהַבְּשׁ הַמִּיְבָּת תִּיּקְבָּת בְּלֹּה בְּלֹבְ הָאָשׁ אָת־בְּגָּדְיוֹ וְלָבָשׁ בְּגָדִים אֲחַרִים וְהוֹצִיא הְעֹלָה עַל־הַמִּוְבַת וְשָׁמוֹ אָצֶל הַמִּוְבַת: דְּנְּשְׁטֹ אֶת־בְּגָּדִיוֹ וְלְבָשׁ בְּגָדִים אֲחַרִים וְהוֹצִיא אָת־הַבֶּשׁן אֶל־מִחָנִץ לַמְּחֲהָה אֶל־מָקוֹם טָהוֹר: " וְהָאֵשׁ עַל־הַמִּוְבַּת הְּקְרֵב וֹ הַשְּלְמִים: אָת־בָּבֶּר עָלְיָה הַמְּרבּוֹ לְא תִּכְבָּה יְנְיְהָ הַכָּלֵן עַצִים בַּבַּבֶּקר וְעָרַךְ עַלְיהָ הָעִלְה וְהִקְטִיר עָלֶייָה הַמְּרַב אֹתְהְ בְּנִים מְעָיִה הַמְּרב אֹתְה בְּבָר אֹתְה בְּבָּי וְנְעַרְ עָלִיה הָמְנִים בְּבָּבֶר וְעָרַךְ עַלְיה הָמְנִית תּוֹרָת הַמִּנְתָה הַקְּרב אֹתְה בְּנִי יְהֹנָה אָלִיה הָמְבָר הִמְּבָּת הָמְיִב בְּבָּבְית מִמְּנִה וְנְתְּה הַמְּבִי יְהֹנְה אֲשָׁר עַל־הַמִּנְתָה וְהַקְטִיר הַמִּוְבָּת הְמִּבְּת בְּיִם בְּשִׁים הְוֹשְׁ בַּתְּבִי יְהֹוֹה אָשְׁר עַל־הַמְנְתָה וְהַקְטִיר הַמִּבְּת בְּבְּים בְּקְעִיוֹ בְּיִלְם בְּבְּיִב מִּבְּתְ בְּלְּה בְּבְּיִם בְּתְבִיוֹ מֵצְוֹת הַאְבָּרְ הָבְּיִוֹ בְּבִיוֹ בְּאשׁים הְוֹבְי בְּבְיּתְ בְּבְבְּיוֹ בְּעִיוֹ בְּעִיוֹ בְּעִיוֹם בְּבְּבְיוֹ בְּעִיוֹ בְשְׁים הְיִבְיוֹ בְּעִיוֹ בְּבְעִיוֹ בְּבְּיִבְיוֹ בְּתִבְּים הְבְּבְיוֹ בְּבְּיִבוֹ הְשְּבִי וְהְבְּנְיוֹ בְּעִים בְּבְּבְיוֹ בְּבְיְבְיּ בְּבְּבְיוֹ בְּבְּיְים הְמִּבְּי בְּבְּתְבְּי בְּבְּבְיְם בְּיִבְיְ הְשְּבְיבוֹ בְּמְעְבְיּ בְּרְ בְּבְּיְבְיּתְ בְּיְבְּי בְּבְיּבְיּת בְּבְיבְיוֹ בְּעִים הְבְּבְיוֹ בְּבְיבְיוֹ בְּעִים בְּבְּיבְי בְּבְּבְיבְי בְּבְּבְיבְים בָּבְיבְים בָּיְבְּבְיבְּי בְּבְיבְּבְיבְי בְּבְיבְבְים בְּבְּבְיבְּבְיבְי בְּבְיבְיוּ בְיבְיבְי בְּבְּבְיבוּ בְּבְיבְים בְּבְּבְיבְיוּ בְּבְיבְים בְּבְיבְיבְיבְים בְּבְיבְיבְיי בְּבְיבְים בְּבְיבְים בְּבְיבְים בְּבְיבְיבְיבְים בְּבְיבְים בְּבְיבְים בְּבְּבְבְיבְים בְּבְּיבְבְיב בְּבְיבְים בְּבְּבְעְבְים בְּבְּבְיבְם בְּבְיבְבְיבְיבְּים בְּבְיבְי

¹God spoke to Moses, saying: ²Command Aaron and his sons thus:. This is the ritual of the burnt offering: The burnt offering itself shall remain where it is burned upon the altar all night until morning, while the fire on the altar is kept going on it. ³The priest shall dress in linen raiment, with linen breeches next to his body; and he shall take up the ashes to which the fire has reduced the burnt offering on the altar and place them beside the altar. ⁴He shall then take off his vestments and put on other vestments, and carry the ashes outside the camp to a pure place. ⁵The fire on the altar shall be kept burning, not to go out; every morning the priest shall feed wood to it, lay out the burnt offering on it, and turn into smoke the fat parts of the offerings of well-being. ⁶A perpetual fire shall be kept burning on the altar, not to go out. And this is the ritual of the grain offering: Aaron's sons shall present it before God, in front of the altar. 8A handful of the choice flour and oil of the grain offering shall be taken from it, with all the frankincense that is on the grain offering, and this token portion shall be turned into smoke on the altar as a pleasing odour to God. ⁹What is left of it shall be eaten by Aaron and his sons; it shall be eaten as unleavened cakes, in the sacred precinct; they shall eat it in the enclosure of the Tent of Meeting. 10 It shall not be baked with leaven; I have given it as their portion from My offerings by fire; it is most holy, like the purgation offering and the reparation offering. "Only the males among Aaron's descendants may eat of it, as their due for all time throughout the ages from God's offerings by fire. Anything that touches these shall become holy.

^{יב} וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוֹה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה לֵאמֹר: ^{יג} זֶהׁ קַרְבַּן אֲהֲרֹן וּבָנֻיוֹ אֲשֶׁר־יַקְרְיבוּ לַיְהֹנָה בְּיוֹם הְמָשֵׁח אֹתוֹ עֲשִּׁירִת הָאֲפָה סֹלֶת מִנְחָה תָּמִיד מֵחֲצִיתָה בַּבּלֵּקר וּמַחֲצִיתָה בָּעָרֵב: ^{יר} עַלִּד מֵחֲבִּת בַּשֶּׁמֶן תַּנְשָׁה מֻרְבֶּכֶת תְּבִיאֻנָּה תִּפִינֵי מִנְחַת פַּתִּים תַּקְרִיב רִיְחַ־נִיחֹחַ לִּיהוֹה: מֵחְבָּת בַּשָּׁמֶן הַמְשָׁיֶח מַּחְתָּיוֹ מִבְּנָיוֹ יַצְשֶּׁה אֹתָה חָק־עוֹלָם לַיְהוֹה כָּלִיל תִּקְטָר: ^{מוֹ} וְכָל־מֹּ מְבָּלִיל תִּהְיֵה לֹּא תֵאָכֵל:

¹² God spoke to Moses, saying: ¹³This is the offering that Aaron and his sons shall offer to God on the occasion of his anointment: a tenth of an *ephah* of choice flour as a regular grain offering, half of it in the morning and half of it in the evening, ¹⁴shall be prepared with oil on a griddle. You shall bring it well soaked, and offer it as a grain offering of baked slices, of pleasing odour to God. ¹⁵And so shall the priest, anointed from among his sons to succeed him, prepare it; it is God's—a law for all time—to be turned entirely into smoke. ¹⁶So, too, every grain offering of a priest shall be a whole offering: it shall not be eaten.

" וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוֹהָ אֶל־מֹשֶׁה לֵּאמֹר: "הַ דַּבֵּר אֶל־אַהֲרֹן וְאֶל־בָּנֵיו לֵאמֹר וֹאֵת תּוֹרַת הַחֲטָאֵת בּמְקוֹם אֲשֶׁר תִּשָׁתֵט הָעְלָּה תִּשְׁתֵט הַחֲטָאת לֹפְנֵי יְהֹוָה לְדֶשׁ קְדָשׁיִם הִוֹא: "ס הַכֹּהֵן הַמְּחָט הִעְלָּה תִּשְׁתֵט הַחֲטָאת לֹפְנֵי יְהֹוָה לְדֶשׁ קַדְשׁיִם הִוֹא: "ס הַכֹּהֵן הַמְּקוֹם לְּבִישׁ תַּאָכֵל בַּחֲצַרְ אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד: כ כֹּל אֲשֶׁר־יִגַּע בִּבְשָּׁרְה יִקְּדָשׁ וְאֲשֶׁר יִזָּה מִדְּמָה עַל־הַבָּגֶּגְד אֲשֶׁר יִזָּה עָלֶיה תְּכַבַּס בְּמְקוֹם קַרְשׁ: כֹּץ וֹכְלִי יְחֹשֶׁת בְּשֶׁלָה וּמֹרֵק וְשְּׁטַף בַּמְיִם: כֹּנ כָּל־זָכָר בַּכֹּהְנִים יֹאבל אֹתָה לְדֶשׁיִם הִוֹא: כֹּי וְכָל־חַטָּאַת אֲשֶׁר יוּבָא מִדְּמָה אֶל־אְהָל מוֹעֵד לְכַפֵּר יֹבֹל אֹתָה לְדָשׁ לֵדְשִׁים הִוֹא: כֹּי וְכָל־חַטָּאַת אֲשֶׁר יוּבָא מִדְמָה אֶל־אְהָל מוֹעֵד לְכַפֵּר בְּקֹדְשׁ לֹא תָאַכֵל בַּאֲשׁ תִּשֶּׂרָף:

¹⁷ God spoke to Moses, saying: ¹⁸Speak to Aaron and his sons thus: This is the ritual of the purgation offering: the purgation offering shall be slaughtered before God, at the spot where the burnt offering is slaughtered: it is most holy. ¹⁹The priest who offers it as a purgation offering shall eat of it; it shall be eaten in the sacred precinct, in the enclosure of the Tent of Meeting. ²⁰Anything that touches its flesh shall become holy; and if any of its blood is spattered upon a garment, you shall wash the bespattered part in the sacred precinct. ²¹An earthen vessel in which it was boiled shall be broken; if it was boiled in a copper vessel, [the vessel] shall be scoured and rinsed with water. ²²Only the males in the priestly line may eat of it: it is most holy. ²⁵But no purgation offering may be eaten from which any blood is brought into the Tent of Meeting for expiation in the sanctuary; any such shall be consumed in fire.

Kollot Haftarah for Shabbat HaGadol

Before reading the Haftarah

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לְנוּ בַּת קוֹל שֻׁאָמְרָה אֵלוּ וָאֵלוּ דְּבְרֵי הַכְּמָה: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה הַבּּוֹחֵר בַּתוֹרָה וּבְמֹשֶׁה עַבְדוֹ וּבְיִשְׂרָאֵל עַמוֹ וּבְחַכְמֵי אֱמֶת וָצֶדֶק: Baruch attah Adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam, asher natan lanu bat kol she'amrah eilu va'eilu divrei chochmah. Baruch attah Adonai, ha-bocheir ba-torah, uv'mosheh avdo, uv'visra'el ammo, uv'chachmei emet va-tzedek.

Blessed are You, our Living God, Sovereign of the universe, who gave to us a heavenly voice to say that "These and these" are words of wisdom. Blessed are You God, You chose the Torah, Moses Your servant, Israel Your people and true and righteous Sages.

Babylonian Talmud, Ta'anit 22a

רבי ברוקא חוזאה הוה שכיח בשוקא דבי לפט, הוה שכיח אליהו גביה, אמר ליה: איכא בהאי שוקא בר עלמא דאתי? אמר ליה: לא. אדהכי והכי חזא לההוא גברא דהוה סיים מסאני אוכמי, ולא רמי חוטא דתכלתא בגלימיה. אמר ליה: האי בר עלמא דאתי הוא. רהט בתריה. אמר ליה: מאי עובדד? אמר ליה: זיל האידנא ותא למחר.

Rabbi Beroka of Choza'ah used to frequent the marketplace of Bei Lefet. Elijah frequently appeared to him. Once Rabbi Beroka said to him, "Is there anyone in this marketplace who is destined for the World to Come?" Elijah answered him, "No." In the meantime, he saw a certain man who was wearing black shoes, and who did not have a thread of *techelet* on his clothes. Elijah said to Rabbi Beroka, "This one is destined for the world to come." Rabbi Beroka ran after him [and] asked him, "What do you do?" He replied, "Go away and come back tomorrow!"

למחר אמר ליה: מאי עובדך? אמר ליה: זנדוקנא אנא, ואסרנא גברי לחוד ונשי לחוד, ורמינא פורייאי בין הני להני כי היכי דלא ליתו לידי איסורא. כי חזינא בת ישראל דיהבי נכרים עלה עינייהו מסרנא נפשאי ומצילנא לה. יומא חד הוות נערה מאורסה גבן דיהבו בה נכרים עינייהו, שקלי דורדייא דחמרא ושדאי לה בשיפולה, ואמרי: דיסתנא היא. אמר ליה: מאי טעמא לית לך חוטי ורמית מסאני אוכמי? אמר ליה עיילנא ונפיקנא ביני נכרים כי היכי דלא לידעו דיהודאה אנא, כי הוו גזרי גזירתא מודענא להו לרבנן, ובעו רחמי ומבטלי לגזירתייהו.

The following day, he asked him, "What do you do?" He replied, "I am a jailer, and I jail men separately and women separately, and I place my bed between the men and the women so that they do not transgress. When I see a daughter of Israel, on whom the non-Jewish guards have their eye, I risk my life to save her. One day, there was a betrothed Jewish woman with us, on whom the non-Jews had their eye. I took the lees of wine and threw them on the lower part of her, and I said 'She is menstruating.'" Rabbi Beroka asked, "Why do you not have threads, and wear black shoes?" He replied, "I come and go among non-Jews. [I wear these things] so that they won't know that I am a Jew. Whenever they make a decree, I inform the Rabbis, and they pray for mercy and annul their decrees."

ומאי טעמא כי אמינא לך אנא מאי עובדך ואמרת לי זיל האידנא ותא למחר? אמר ליה: בההיא שעתא גזרי גזירתא, ואמינא ברישא איזיל ואשמע להו לרבנן דלבעי רחמי עלה דמילתא. אדהכי והכי אתו הנך תרי אתי. אמר ליה: הנך נמי בני עלמא דאתי נינהו. אזל לגבייהו. אמר להו: מאי עובדייכו? אמרו ליה: אינשי בדוחי אנן, מבדחינן עציבי. אי נמי, כי חזינן בי תרי דאית להו תיגרא בהדייהו - טרחינן ועבדינן להו

"And why, when I said to you 'What do you do?' did you say 'Go away and come back tomorrow'?" He replied, "At that very moment, they had just issued a decree, so I said: let me first go and inform the Rabbis so that they may pray for mercy concerning this matter." In the meantime, two others came into the marketplace. Elijah came and said to Rabbi Beroka, "These, too, are destined for the World to Come." Rabbi Beroka went to them and asked them, "What do you do?" They said to him, "We are jesters; we go to cheer up those who are depressed. Not just that; whenever we see two people quarrel, we work hard to make peace between them."

After reading the Haftarah

עַל הַתּוֹרָה וְעַל הָעֲבוֹדָה וְעַל דִּבְרֵי חָכְמָה וְעַל יוֹם הַשַּׁבֶּת הַזֶּה שֶׁנָתַתָּ לָגוּ יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְקְרֵשָׁה וְלִמְנוּחָה לְכָבוֹד וּלְתִפְּאָרֶת. עַל הַכּּל יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֲנַחְנוּ מוֹדִים לָךְ וּמְבַרְכִים אוֹתַדְ. יִתִּבַּרַדְ שִׁמִּךְ בָּפִי כָל־חַי תָּמִיד לְעוֹלָם וַעֵּד: בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יהוה. מִקְדֵשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת:

Al ha-torah v'al ha-avodah, v'al divrei chochmah, v'al yom ha-shabbat ha-zeh, shennatatta lanu, Adonai eloheinu, likdushah v'limnuchah, l'chavod ul'tif'aret, al ha-kol Adonai eloheinu, anachnu modim lach um'var'chim otach, yitbarach shimcha b'fi chol chai tamid l'olam va'ed. Baruch attah Adonai, m'kaddeish ha-shabbat.

For the Torah, for the service, for words of wisdom, and for this Shabbat day which You gave us, our Living God, for holiness and rest, for glory and beauty - for all these, God our Creator, we thank and bless You. May Your name be blessed by the mouth of all living forever and ever. Blessed are You God, who makes the Shabbat holy.

Community News

Alyth is built on a foundation of mutual care, in which we share one another's joys and sorrows, and accompany one another through our life journeys.

On this Shabbat we celebrate with:

Daniel Bowman and Rosanna Thomson, on the birth of a daughter, Madeleine Rebecca

We join with those marking the anniversary of the death of a loved one:

Ninette Ball, mother of Joyce Behrmann

Alec Berger, stepfather of Rolfe Roseman and grandfather of Daniel and Tim Roseman

Neville Cohen, brother of Aileen Jampel

Phyllis Crawcour, mother of Matthew Crawcour

Pauline Eisenberg, mother of Peter Eisenberg

Zelda Enlander, mother of Janice Friend

Israel Field. father of Susan Pearl

Marion Goff, mother of Jo Goff

Abraham Guz. father of Gabrielle and Stephanie Guz

lan Hermer, husband of Judith Hermer

Alice Lenz. mother of Maurice Lenz

Ray Levitt, mother of John Levitt

Hymie Levy, father of Mark Levy

Rhoda Levy, mother of Mark Levy

Alec Marmot, husband of Myra Marmot

Ernest Miller, father of Steve Miller

Helene Miller, mother of Steve Miller

Abraham Morris, father of Myra Marmot

Norman Nathan, brother of Shirley Marks, uncle of Laura and Richard Marks and Helen Hainbach

Betty Pearl, mother of Raymond Pearl **Rachel Phillips**, mother of Judith Smith

Jacqueline Pinto, mother of Jane Kessler

Paulette Rothschild, mother of Jeanne-Marie Stern

Esther Rudolf, mother of Annie Saunders and Ruth Blane

Harvey Scriven, husband of Valentine Scriven

David Share, father of Helena Miller

Seymour Springer, father of Lauretta-Jayne Bernstein

Malka Stern, mother of Glenn Stern

Myer Stern, father of Glenn Stern

Peggy Susman, mother of Dan Susman

Josephine Urban, mother of Mark Urban

Ethel Wix, sister of Janet Bloch

Coming up at Alyth...

The Alyth Ramblers Monday 21 April (10:00 - 16:00)

Do you enjoy walking? Please join the Alyth Ramblers for a seven and a half mile walk through the Chiltern Hills and surrounding valleys and the grand Stonor Country Park House. For details and to book please email: Vivienne.bellos@btinternet.com.

Yom HaShoah Commemorative Concert & Service Wednesday 23 April (19:30)

Please join us for a special commemorative Holocaust Day concert featuring Alyth choirs and soloists. Following the hour-long concert, there will be a brief pause and then we will come together for our Yom HaShoah Service.

Alyth Community Chavurah Supper Friday 25 April (18:30)

Join us for the Erev Shabbat Service, followed by dinner together. A great opportunity for members of the community to come together for dinner. Join us for Alyth's community chavurah supper with guest speaker. Rick Blaskey who will talk about his fascinating career in the music industry. Rick has worked with some of the great musical stars and been an innovator in the industry. We will hear about his career and various great anecdotes. Please bring a dish to share with everyone and let us know you are coming by signing up online.

Year 7 & 8 Secret Cinema Saturday 26 April (17:00)

A highlight of the Youth and Education calendar. For all those in year 7 and 8, join us for a cinema evening with dinner, snacks, fun and friends. Contact izzie@alyth.org.uk for information.

Progressive Judaism & Alyth Monday 28 April (19:00)

Following on from our We Need to Talk About Progressive Judaism meeting, this event will be an opportunity to speak with our Alyth Trustees about the combination before we move forward as a community. More details will follow in Around Alyth.

Yom HaZikaron Tuesday 29 April (19:00)

We will be making Yom HaZikaron (Israeli Memorial Day) with an evening of reflection and sharing, including testimony and a short memorial service. If your family has an Israel story that you would like to share, please be in touch with Rabbi Elliott, elliott@alyth.org.uk.